

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN SERVICES

Voting Members

Kymberly Marcos Pine, Chair; Breene Harimoto, Vice-Chair,
Carol Fukunaga, Ann H. Kobayashi, Joey Manahan

Committee Meeting Held
May 22, 2014

Honorable Ernest Y. Martin
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Human Services, which considered Resolution 13-175 entitled:

"RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TO ADOPT COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM LEGISLATION,"

introduced on August 1, 2013, reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to urge the United States House of Representatives to enact comprehensive immigration reform.

Your Committee received four oral testimonies in support and one written testimony in opposition to the Resolution.

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Your Committee amended the Resolution to a CD1 version that makes the following changes:

- A. Adds a new 3rd WHEREAS paragraph stating: "WHEREAS, lawfully present and undocumented immigrants are willing to make the arduous and potentially lethal journey to the United States to pursue economic opportunity, seek reunification with family, and escape political and civil unrest; and
- B. Amends the 4th WHEREAS paragraph by adding "many" before "public services" and deleting "regardless of immigration status" after "residents."
- C. Amends the 5th WHEREAS paragraph by replacing "undocumented workers" with "undocumented immigrants."
- D. Amends the 7th WHEREAS by adding "increase resources for federal and state authorities to strengthen security" after "strengthen the economy of our State and our nation."
- E. Deletes the 8th WHEREAS paragraph.
- F. Amends the 2nd RESOLVED paragraph by adding to the list of recipients "the President of the United States Senate, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States House of Representatives, and the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate."
- G. Makes technical and nonsubstantive changes.

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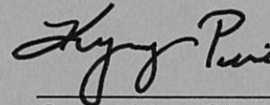
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Your Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Human Services is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 13-175, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as Resolution 13-175, CD1. (Ayes: Pine, Harimoto, Manahan - 3; Noes: None; Excused: Fukunaga, Kobayashi - 2.)

Respectfully submitted,



Committee Chair

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RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO ADOPT COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM LEGISLATION.

WHEREAS, the United States is a nation with a strong history of immigration that draws strength from its diverse population; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii is largely comprised of populations of immigrant descent; and

WHEREAS, lawfully present and undocumented immigrants are willing to make the arduous and potentially lethal journey to the United States to pursue economic opportunity, seek reunification with family, and escape political and civil unrest; and

WHEREAS, Hawaii's counties are directly affected by immigration because they provide many public services to all residents; and

WHEREAS, with the practice of hiring undocumented immigrants widespread and an estimated 11 million people living in the country illegally, the nation's immigration system is in need of reform; and

WHEREAS, immigration policies should sensibly address immigrants who are currently in the country without legal status but are of good character, pay taxes and are committed to continuing to contribute to our society; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive approach to fixing our broken immigration system would strengthen the economy of our State and our nation, increase resources for federal and state authorities to strengthen security, and allow aspiring citizens to be fully integrated into the social, civil, and economic fabric of American life and continue making positive contributions to our economy and culture; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the United States House of Representatives to enact comprehensive immigration reform; and

ATTACHMENT TO CR-171



RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States House of Representatives, and the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate.

INTRODUCED BY:

Stanley Chang

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

August 1, 2013
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers